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1. FURTHER TO OUR VIEW EXPRESSED REF A THAT GOM
WOULD PROBABLY SUPPORT THE IDEA OF A BROADBASED INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON INDOCHINESE REFUGEES, FOREIGN MINISTER RITHAUDDEEN
TOLD ME YESTERDAY (AUGUST 15) IN THE COURSE OF A DISCUSSION OF
RESULTS OF THE ES-ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING IN WASHINGTON (SEE SEP-
TEL) THAT MALAYSIA WOULD SUPPORT THE IDEA OF A MEETING UNDER UNHCR
AUSPICES OF A "HANDFUL" OF "RELEVANT" COUNTRIES. ON THE OTHER HAND
A CONFERENCE OF GLOBAL PROPORTIONS WOULD BE IMPRACTICAL; IT WOULD
BRING IN TOO MANY OTHER REFUGEE PROBLEMS AND "WILL NOT SOLVE THE
INDOCHINESE REFUGEE PROBLEM," HE OPINED.

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2. RITHAUDDEEN CHARACTERIZED THE AUGUST 4 MEETING
HE AND THAI FOREIGN MINISTER UPPADIT HAD WITH CHAIR-
MAN EILBERG AND OTHERS ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE REGARDING THE
INDOCHINESE REFUGEE PROBLEM (REF C) AS BEING VERY USEFUL AND
AFFORDING A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO AIR VIEWS ON THE ISSUE.

3. COMMENT. THE CLEAR IMPRESSION I GAINED, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT EXPLICITLY STATED, WAS THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER DOES SEE SOME POTENTIAL UTILITY IN A GATHERING INVOLVING COUNTRIES OF FIRST ASYLUM IN THE REGION AS WELL AS NATIONS CURRENTLY OR POTENTIALLY INVOLVED IN THE PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT PROCESS.

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